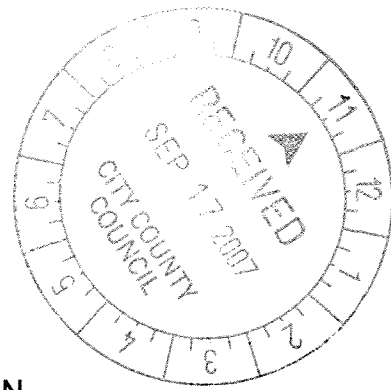


CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
AND COUNTY OF MARION,
STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5, 2007

FORMAL ADOPTION OF THE
MARION COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN



WHEREAS, the primary role of the government is to provide for the welfare of its citizens, and the welfare of Marion County citizens is never more threatened than during disasters; and

WHEREAS, in the management of emergencies, the goal is to provide for mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery actions that ensure the public welfare will be restored and preserved; and

WHEREAS, the "Marion County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan" prepared for the County of Marion, City of Indianapolis, City of Beech Grove, City of Lawrence, Town of Speedway, and City of Southport, and dated June, 2006 (hereinafter "Mitigation Plan") is an integral element of the emergency management effort; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Plan provides a comprehensive framework for countywide disaster mitigation, and identifies the risks and vulnerabilities of the county to multiple hazards, and establishes goals and strategies to address those risks and vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS, all departments of city and county government cooperate with the Indianapolis Department of Public Safety's Emergency Management Planning Division in the planning process which provides an effective framework for the implementation of the identified strategies; and

WHEREAS, City and County departments repeatedly have demonstrated that they can work together to achieve the common goal of disaster mitigation in an effort to reduce the risks and vulnerabilities the City and County face in the event of natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Plan ensures consistency with current policy guidance and describes the interrelationship with other levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Plan will continue to evolve to reflect lessons learned from actual experiences in disasters and ongoing state planning, and will be continually reviewed, maintained, and updated to reflect the changes in federal, state, and local statutes and mitigation opportunities within Marion County; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Plan will serve as a basis for improving coordination and strengthening relationships among all of our partners on the federal, state, local, and private levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana and as County Executive and successor-in-interest to the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. In recognition of the responsibilities of local government with respect to emergency management, I do hereby adopt the Marion County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as the same is described herein and as the same may be amended from time to time.
2. The intent of this Executive Order is to cause the Marion County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to be legally binding on all City and County departments, agencies, and officials charged with the implementation of such Plan.
3. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately upon execution.

DATED this 17th day of September, 2007.

CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

By: Bart Peterson
Bart Peterson, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

By: Kobi M. Wright
Kobi M. Wright, Corporation Counsel